

EMSC Activities September-December 2012

EMSC HRSA MCH Funding

- Completed and submitted application/proposal for HRSA MCH competitive grant to fund the EMSC program at \$130,000.00 per year for four years (2013-2017). The EMSC fiscal year runs from March 1st through February 28th, so if awarded, the funding will begin on March 1, 2013. However, each subsequent year in the four year time frame, will require an application on a non-competitive basis and must demonstrate progress toward achieving required performance measures.

EMSC & Pediatric Training (Helmsley Foundation Grant)

- Submitted a proposal to HRSA MCH and was approved to spend \$20,000 in ND EMSC unobligated funds for developing pediatric specific simulator training scenarios. Contracted with NDSTAR at the UND School of Medicine & Health Sciences to develop pediatric based scenarios for pediatric simulators. Training will be made available through SIMND and will include pre-hospital and hospital personnel.

Pediatric Readiness Initiative:

- We will begin working on this project in April/May, 2013. This will involve encouraging all hospitals in North Dakota (we are required to reach 80%) to complete a pediatric readiness assessment. One of the goals of this project is to provide resources to the hospitals that are the least “pediatric ready” and create partnerships with hospitals in the same area that show high “pediatric readiness”.

EMS Leadership Training

- Applied and received approval to spend \$20,000 from 2011 unobligated funds to provide two EMS leadership training events in ND. Contracted with the ND EMS Association Foundation. The first training was held in November 2012. The other is scheduled for February 2013.

EMS Protocols

- Applied and received approval from HRSA MCH to spend \$7,846.00 from 2011 unobligated funds to update the ND EMS protocol manual. The manual was last updated in 2007 and several changes have occurred since that time. A committee comprised of “subject matter experts” was been assembled and a final product was completed and mailed to EMS agencies in January 2013. EMS agencies received the protocols in electronic format on flash drives and CD-Rs.

EMSC & Partners:

- Continue to represent EMSC on numerous coalitions and committees (Trauma, Suicide Prevention, School Nursing, Injury Prevention, & etc).

EMSC & Family Voices of North Dakota (FVND)

- Presented “Disaster Preparedness for Families with Children with Special Healthcare Needs” to FVND audience. The presentation was developed to help special needs families better prepare for evacuating or sheltering-in-place during emergencies or disasters.